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Northampton (48)

BETHLEHEM

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SINGLE SISTERS' HOUSE (PA-1153)

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PA-1142

Single Sisters

House appears

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*p: photo

44 W. Church St. Built in three sections; coursed and random rubble, approx. 48' (five-bay front) x 30', two stories with double attic, gambrel roof hipped at W end, two rows of dormers (gable and shed dormers), brick arches over windows, central entrance with chevron-patterned door on S (front) elevation; random rubble addition to N con-

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nects Single Sisters' House to the Bell House (PA-1152), two stories with double attic, uneven gambrel roof with two rows of shed dormers (E side) and single row of dormers (W side), buttresses, brick arches over windows; large addition to E, coursed rubble (partially stuccoed), nine by three bays, two stories with double attic and partially exposed basement, gable roof with two rows of dormers (gable and shed dormers), central entrance with chevron-patterned doors on S (front) elevation. Original section built 1744 by the Moravians as Single Brethren's House became Single

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Sisters' House 1748 when the Brothers moved to new quarters (PA-1141); N connecting wing added 1752, buttresses added 1755; wing to E added 1773. Original section was first stone building in Bethlehem and set the architectural character for later buildings. 1 ext. photo (1937, shows 1773 wing only), see Bell House (PA-1152) for partial ext. view of 1752 connecting wing. NR (located in Bethlehem Historic District).

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